

Assembly Concurrent Resolution

No. 59

Introduced by Assembly Member Pacheco

March 5, 2003

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 59—Relative to Eagle Scouts.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

ACR 59, as introduced, Pacheco. Eagle Scouts.

This measure would recognize Boy Scouts who earn the rank of Eagle Scout, promote the brotherhood of scouting across international boundaries as a model of leadership, character, and honor, and provide a solid foundation and common thread to unite persons around the world.

Fiscal committee: no.

1 Whereas, Since the founding of the Boy Scouts of America,
2 over one million Boy Scouts have earned the rank of Eagle, the
3 highest honor that can be bestowed on a youth in the Boy Scouts
4 of America; and

5 Whereas, Less than 2 percent of all scouts who join the Boy
6 Scouts of America attain the rank of Eagle; and

7 Whereas, Those scouts who have attained the rank of Eagle are
8 some of the best ambassadors the state could have, as they
9 represent the qualities consistent with those held by our Founding
10 Fathers during the creation of our country; and

11 Whereas, Japanese Fuji Scouts and Queen Scouts from the
12 United Kingdom both share the same duty as ambassadors of their
13 countries in representing character and honor; and

1 Whereas, An Eagle Scout can be followed, as he is a leader in
2 his troop and community; and

3 Whereas, An Eagle Scout lives honorably, not only because
4 honor is important to him, but because of the significant example
5 he sets for other scouts; and

6 Whereas, Loyalty to his troop and brother scouts makes him
7 “pitch-in” and carry his share of the load, recognizing the
8 devotion to his family and the community in which he lives; and

9 Whereas, The courage represented by an Eagle Scout is
10 standing up for what he believes in without compromising his own
11 beliefs; and

12 Whereas, An Eagle Scout looks forward to each day, seeking his
13 share of the world’s work to do; and

14 Whereas, Honor, loyalty, and courage are hallmarks of Eagle
15 Scouts who admirably represent the community, council, and
16 troop in their daily lives; and

17 Whereas, An Eagle Scout always wears a smile as a constant
18 reminder of cheerfulness; and

19 Whereas, An Eagle Scout is helpful in service, as the Eagle
20 stands as a protector of the weak and helpless, will aid and comfort
21 the unfortunate and oppressed, and will always “Be Prepared” to
22 put forth his best; and

23 Whereas, The character traits represented by Eagle Scouts are
24 symbols present in the Eagle Scout badge, worn proudly on the
25 uniform, by youth in this state and across the country; and

26 Whereas, The rank of Eagle Scout, along with its international
27 equivalents, will continue to represent the guiding lights of
28 leadership to those scouts who choose to follow in their footsteps;
29 now, therefore, be it

30 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*
31 *thereof concurring,* That the Legislature recognizes the
32 outstanding efforts of Boy Scouts who, through persistence and
33 hard work, earn the rank of Eagle Scout, promote the brotherhood
34 of scouting across international boundaries as a model of
35 leadership, character, and honor, and provide a solid foundation
36 and common thread to unite all persons around the world; and be
37 it further



1 *Resolved*, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit
2 sufficient copies of this resolution to the author for appropriate
3 distribution.

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